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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Deepak Rao
Group Art Unit : 1611
Applicant : Guy W. Bemis et al.
Serial No. : 09/336,266
Filed : June 18, 1999
For : INHIBITORS OF P38

New York, New York
March 27, 2000

Hon. Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

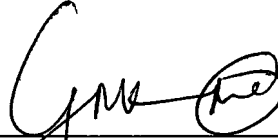
PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated January 27, 2000. With the extension, a response is due on or before March 27, 2000. Applicants have enclosed a check for \$55.00, in payment of the extension fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1). If any additional fees are due, applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the same to Deposit Account No.

06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed
herewith.

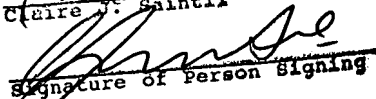
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